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PITTSBURGH, Nov. 12.—The Pennsylvania Railroad today announced that 1,350 men, approximately 15 per cent of the force employed at the big Altoona shops had been permanently dropped from the rolls of the company. All departments are affected except the iron and brass foundry, in which there is still sufficient work for the present forces.

The men were given the customary five-days notice. In making this announcement the company was careful to say that reduction in force was not of temporary nature, but a permanent one, necessitated by a reduction in the volume of repair work coming into the shops.

Other Reductions Expected
The reduction of working forces is taken in accordance with the company's policy of getting its operations down to barefoot efficiency.

While the region west of Altoona, including the Erie Railroad, has been spared for the industrial depression which is slowly sweeping over the Middle West, information reaching this city today tends to credit reports that the Erie will be hit hard. It is expected that the Erie will be hit hard during the coming winter months.

For the first time in several years cars are said to be lying on the siding. During the last three weeks forty-three train cars reporting in the several big Pennsylvania yards hereabouts have been laid off. These cars, however, are not working permanently of their position. They are merely placed on the siding and are to be given a new lease of life as soon as business warrants it. They will be given a new lease of life as soon as business warrants it.

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In this region the Pennsylvania operates big shops at Pittsford, where a large amount of car and locomotive repair work is done. The shops are being hit hard by the industrial depression. The shops are being hit hard by the industrial depression.

**Cotton Company Makes
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**Employees of Virginia Firm
Agree to Reduction; Mill
in Lawrence Also Acts**

DAWSON, Va., Nov. 12.—Wage reductions of 25 per cent effective November 15 were announced today by the Dan River and Riverside Cotton Mill Corporation, one of the largest plants of the kind in the South. The reduction was announced after two days of its employees' conference. The mill is the largest of its kind in the South. The reduction was announced after two days of its employees' conference.

**Kansas Flour Industry Faces
Shutdown, Says J. H. Ismert**

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 12.—The Kansas flour milling industry is on the verge of a shutdown, according to a statement made today by John H. Ismert, head of a large company which operates mills in this city and in Kansas City. Mr. Ismert added that several mills, including his own, had suspended operations.

"Babe" Ruth Loses Appeal

Injunction Against Film Company Denied by Upper Court
Sustaining the decision of Justice Guy in the Supreme Court, the Appellate Division yesterday decided that George Heisman ("Babe") Ruth, cannot have an injunction to restrain the Educational Film, Inc., and others from showing the "Home Run King" in the act of swatting the sphere.

Ruth also sued for \$100,000 damages, besides asking for an injunction. He complained that the defendant were showing his pictures without his permission and that he had a contract with another concern to show his pictures. Justice Guy decided that it was not necessary for Ruth to give his official sanction to have motion pictures made of him during a game, as the courts have ruled that new pictures may be made freely and without permission of any public event or person who takes part in it. Ruth still may recover his damages before he is seen fit, despite the denial of the injunction.

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Woman Fights for Dog Magistrate Tries in Vain to Have Animal Examined

Mrs. Pauline C. Van Sise, of 8714 14th Street, Richmond Hill, Queens, who is diminutive physically, but a spiritual giant, retained a triumphant possession of her Airedale, Duke, yesterday, despite the efforts of Magistrate John Kochendorfer, a neighbor, to have the animal sent to the Health Department to be examined for rabies. The magistrate had Mrs. Van Sise arraigned before his fellow magistrate, Harry Miller, in Jamaica Police Court on a summons, alleging that Duke had bitten one of his children twice in a year. Magistrate Kochendorfer said that this was twice as many bites as any dog was entitled to under the law. Mrs. Van Sise retorted that Duke never had bitten anybody; that she never would give him up, and if the Health Commissioner or a city magistrate or anybody else came snooping around trying to get Duke he had better watch his step. In despair of reaching any judgment of the case, Magistrate Miller adjourned it until Monday.

Unemployment in State Increased 2% in October

**Automobile, Firearms, Heating
Apparatus, Leather,
Wool, Cotton and Clothing
Industries Suffer Most**

ALBANY, Nov. 12.—The recession in manufacturing activity in New York State which began last April still continues. The preliminary tabulation of more than 1,600 factory reports made by the bureau of statistics of the New York State Industrial Commission shows a further reduction of 2 per cent in the number of factory workers employed in the state for October. The total decrease in employment during the seven months from March to October amounts to 9 per cent.

The industries which have suffered most by depression are the automobile, leather, boots and shoes, cotton goods, men's clothing and sugar refining industries. The decrease in employment in the cotton and woolen mill groups amounts to 20 per cent in October and to 24 per cent since April. The automobile industry shows a reduction of 19 per cent in October and 22 per cent since March. In the leather industry a reduction of 22 per cent in the number of people employed has occurred since January, and the drop in October amounts to 4 per cent. Men's clothing shows a reduction in the number of workers of 10 per cent in October and 20 per cent since April.

The important increases in the number of workers employed during October occurred in glass, railway equipment, drugs, and chemicals, women's clothing and light and power. The women's clothing and light and power industries show seasonal increases of 4 per cent and 2 per cent, respectively. Other minor gains were reported in fur goods, silk gloves and women's furnishings. A small gain also appears in the structural iron industry, and the high level of activity in the steel industry continued. A 1 per cent increase in employment was reported in the steel industry in October.

Italy Would Raise Price Of Bread and Tax Wine

Special Cable to The Tribune.
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MILAN, Italy, Nov. 12.—The Italian government has presented proposals to Parliament largely increasing the price of bread, and laying taxes on wine and many luxury articles, that double the existing rates. The taxation on incomes above 10,000 lire is also doubled and payment of instalments of existing patrimony taxation is accelerated.

Immediate discussion and approval of the proposal is required. The government is thus proving its determination to face its financial problems in an effort to make its income cover expenses and also to prevent further outflow of money.

All this ought to have the effect of promptly reducing the rate of exchange, allowing Italy to resume import trade and giving assistance to its industries.

Jusserands to Sail To-day

PARIS, Nov. 12.—Premier and Mme. Leguesne gave a farewell luncheon today to Jean Jules Jusserand, French Ambassador to the United States, and Mme. Jusserand. Many notable persons were present. Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand will sail for New York on the steamship La Savoie to-morrow.

U. S. Prepares Drive Against Home Brews

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able only by the Secretary of the Treasury or court order.

Commissioner Williams' statement declared it had "never been the purpose of the Internal Revenue Bureau to interfere with any legitimate business," and added that there appeared to have been a misunderstanding as to the right to manufacture malt liquors even for home consumption.

Most Extreme Step Taken
In connection with the so-called "home brew" case, the statement continued, "The impression seems to prevail among some people that materials which ordinarily are or may be used in the manufacture of intoxicating liquors may be sold freely and legally even though sold for the purpose of making intoxicating liquors."

"When such materials are sold for the purpose of being converted into liquors, such transactions, of course, are legal, if the law and regulations with reference to such manufacture are complied with," the statement continued. "Frequent proof has come to the prohibition headquarters of the rapid spread of home brewing among all communities. Officials have said it was becoming the best method of circumventing the law, but have felt powerless to check it. The attempt now to control home brewing by restricting the sale of materials to be used in the home manufacture of intoxicants was regarded as the most extreme step yet taken by enforcement officials."

Home Not To Be Invaied In War Against Brewing

**Order to Prohibit Sale of Malt
and Hops Has Not Been Received
by New York Agents**

New York home brew fans probably will have at least another day of grace. While it has been announced that the Internal Revenue Department has decided to prohibit private purchase of malt and hops, no instructions to that effect had been received up to last night by Frank L. Boyd, local Supervisor of Prohibition Enforcement.

Mr. Boyd said he would take no steps to prevent the sale of either commodity until ordered to do so from Washington. The prohibition supervisor declared it would require a staff of 200 to obtain evidence in all the cases of violations reported, and that regulation of the malt and hop industries will be no mean addition to his work. In preventing amateur brewing, if that has been decided upon, prohibition agents will not invade private homes, Mr. Boyd said, for that has not been the policy in the past.

In the opinion of grain concerns which deal in malt the reported ruling will be hard to enforce, as the form of malt most commonly used in brewing home beer is the syrup, which is sold in drug stores as a substitute for sugar. An excellent substitute for hops, which is used only to flavor the beverage, is corn, and it is much cheaper, it is said.

The representative of one concern declared that many people who are willing to take the trouble of brewing at home will, if pressed, make their own malt by soaking and then roasting barley grain. The industry which will be harmed most is the "home hootch" industry, he said. Home distillers of spirits commonly used crushed malt for the mash.

Ohio Firms Will Fight Ban on Hops and Malt

**Columbus Dealers Say Order Is
Unjustified and Would Take
Suit to U. S. Supreme Court**

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 12.—Suit to test the recent ruling of the Prohibition Enforcement Bureau prohibiting the sale of malt extract and hops to any one except confectioners and bakers will be filed at once in the United States Court by a Columbus distributing company.

Counsel for the company declared they would carry the case through to the United States Supreme Court. "They have no ground to stand on and no doubt will lose the case," said James A. Shearer, prohibition director for Ohio, when informed of the action. Malt and hops dealers assert that their products are not the main components of home brew.

It was asserted by Timothy S. Hogan, former Attorney General, one of counsel for the plaintiff, that malt, sugar, syrup and hops, principal

Soft Drink Consumers Pay \$51,000,000 Tax

CINCINNATI, Nov. 12.—Consumers of soft drinks have paid through the manufacturers of such libations in the last eleven months \$51,000,000 to the Revenue Department of the government.

That statement was made today before the closing session of the convention of the Association of Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages by Dr. Carl L. Alsberg, chief chemist of the Department of Agriculture. These figures would indicate that the manufacturers of soft drinks do a business in excess of \$500,000,000 a year.

products sold, have many medicinal purposes and "much suffering will be caused if the sale is prohibited."

Columbus dealers, it is said, will fight to the last ditch the enforcement of the "ban."

Pittsburgh Bread Price Cut 2c as Flour Drops

**Chain Stores Take Lead in
Slashing Figures; Another
Reduction Predicted**

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 12.—Taking the lead in the reduction of bread prices in this city, a big chain of stores in the downtown district has cut the price of bread from 10 cents to 8 cents for a pound loaf, and from 15 to 12 cents for a one and one-half pound loaf.

These reductions are the result of a drop of about \$3 a barrel in the price of flour in the last two weeks, the present supply having been purchased at \$2.15.

Most of the big bakers in the city today said their large stocks of flour prevented them from giving the public the benefit of the lower flour price by cutting the price of bread. At the local establishment of one large concern here was extended for a lower bread price before the first of the year.

The product of this concern has been selling at 15 cents for a one and one-half pound loaf, the same loaf retailing at 18 cents. The flour now being used by this concern cost \$3 or \$4 more a barrel than the present price.

A baking concern of the glass front type, which has two stores downtown, two weeks ago reduced the price of a loaf from 17 to 15 cents. This followed the decrease in the flour price. The establishment is one which does its baking on the premises and does not deal through a middleman.

\$10,000 Verdict for Boy Expelled by Peekskill

**Co-principals of Military Academy
Are Defendants in Action
Alleging Spite**

Middleville F. Taylor, nineteen years old, son of John Robert Taylor, a lawyer, of Port Washington, L. I., won a verdict of \$10,000 yesterday against the co-principals of the Peekskill Military Academy. He charged they expelled him unjustly in January, 1918. The case was tried before Supreme Court Justice Nichols and a jury.

Taylor charged he was put out of the school as a result of malice on the part of the two defendants, Charles Alexander Robinson and John Calvin Bucher.

A month before Taylor's dismissal, it was shown, the highest medal of the school for good conduct was awarded him. He was star athlete of the institution and in 1918 was captain of the football, baseball and basketball teams. It was disclosed that he had been elected president of his class each year since he was admitted in 1914.

In support of the dismissal, it was charged Taylor had been a ringleader in certain acts of misconduct which he alleged to have taken place at a moving picture theater in Peekskill. Taylor denied he was the ringleader, and students who acted as witnesses corroborated his testimony.

After his expulsion, he said, he went to the Dwight High School in this city and was made a member of the baseball team. Members of the Dwight team were notified by the Peekskill principals, it was charged, that the game to be played between the Dwight School and the Peekskill Academy would be canceled if he was permitted to play.

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